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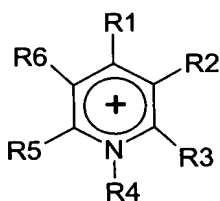
Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A fragrance composition ~~which has a fixative,~~
~~wherein the fragrance composition has~~ comprising at least one ionic liquid as a fixative.

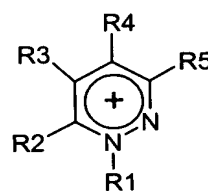
Claim 2 (Original): The fragrance composition as claimed in claim 1, wherein the composition has 0.1% by weight to 20% by weight of ionic liquid, based on the base oil.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): The fragrance composition as claimed in claim 1,
~~claim 1 or 2~~, wherein the composition has 0.5% by weight to 10% by weight of ionic liquid,
based on the base oil.

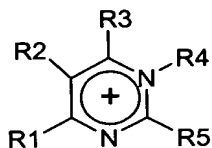
Claim 4 (Currently Amended): The fragrance composition as claimed in claim 1,
~~claims 1 to 3~~, wherein the ionic liquid is a salt with a cation according to the following
structures,



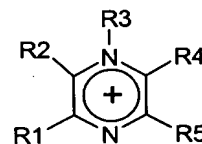
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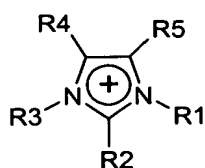
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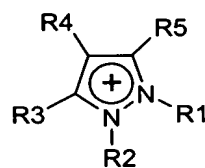
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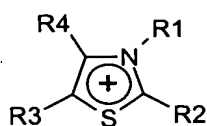
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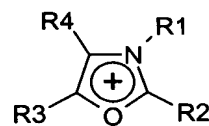
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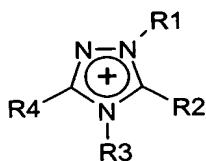
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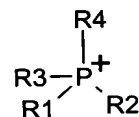
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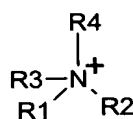
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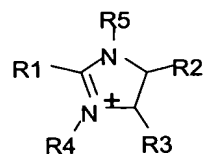
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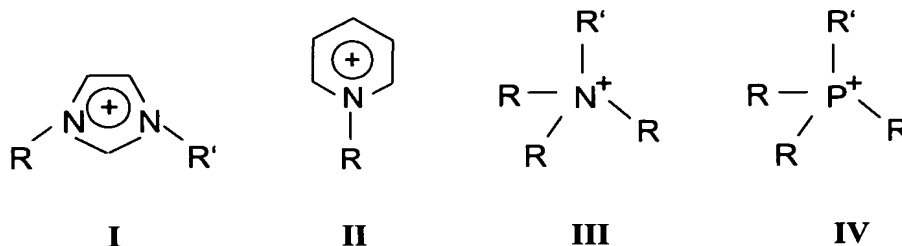


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where wherein R1, R2, R3, R4, R5 and R6 are identical or different and are hydrogen, a linear or branched aliphatic hydrocarbon radical having 1 to 20 carbon atoms, a cycloaliphatic hydrocarbon radical having 5 to 30 carbon atoms, an aromatic hydrocarbon radical having 6 to 30 carbon atoms, an alkylaryl radical having 7 to 40 carbon atoms, a linear or branched aliphatic hydrocarbon radical having 2 to 20 carbon atoms which is

interrupted by one or more heteroatoms (oxygen, NH, NCH₃), a linear or branched aliphatic hydrocarbon radical having 2 to 20 carbon atoms which is interrupted by one or more functionalities chosen from the group -O-C(O)-, -(O)C-O-, -NH-C(O)-, -(O)C-NH-, -(CH₃)N-C(O)-, -(O)C-N(CH₃)-, -S(O)₂-O-, -O-S(O)₂-, -S(O)₂-NH-, -NH-S(O)₂-, -S(O)₂-N(CH₃)-, -N(CH₃)-S(O)₂-, a terminally -OH, -NH₂, -N(H)CH₃ functionalized linear or branched aliphatic hydrocarbon radical having 1 to 20 carbon atoms or a polyether with a blockwise or random structure according to -(R⁷-O)_n-R⁸, where R⁷ is a linear or branched hydrocarbon radical ~~containing~~ comprising 2 to 4 carbon atoms, n = 1 to 30 and R⁸ is hydrogen, a linear or branched aliphatic hydrocarbon radical having 1 to 20 carbon atoms, a cycloaliphatic hydrocarbon radical having 5 to 30 carbon atoms, an aromatic hydrocarbon radical having 6 to 30 carbon atoms, an alkylaryl radical having 7 to 40 carbon atoms, or are a radical -C(O)-R⁹ where R⁹ is a linear or branched aliphatic hydrocarbon radical having 1 to 20 carbon atoms, a cycloaliphatic hydrocarbon radical having 5 to 30 carbon atoms, an aromatic hydrocarbon radical having 6 to 30 carbon atoms, an alkylaryl radical having 7 to 40 carbon atoms; and an anion ~~chosen~~ selected from the group consisting of halide, phosphate, halophosphates, alkylphosphates, nitrate, sulfate, hydrogensulfate, alkylsulfates, arylsulfates, perfluorinated alkyl- and arylsulfates, sulfonate, alkylsulfonates, arylsulfonates, perfluorinated alkyl- and arylsulfonates, perchlorate, tetrachloroaluminate, tetrafluoroborate, alkylborates, tosylate, saccharinate, alkylcarboxylates and bis(perfluoroalkylsulfonyl)amide anions; or is a mixture of two or more such salts.

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): The fragrance composition as claimed in claim 1, at ~~least one of claims 1 to 4~~, wherein the ionic liquid used is a salt with a cation ~~chosen~~ selected from the group consisting of imidazolium ion, pyridinium ion, ammonium ion and ~~or~~ phosphonium ion according to the following structures:



where wherein R and R' ~~[[=]]~~ are H, identical or different substituted or unsubstituted alkyl, olefin or aryl groups ~~with the proviso that~~ wherein R and R' have identical or different meanings.

Claim 6 (Currently Amended): The fragrance composition as claimed in claim 1, at ~~least one of claims 1 to 5~~, wherein the ionic liquid has a halogen-free anion ~~chosen~~ selected from the group consisting of phosphate, alkylphosphates, nitrate, sulfate, alkylsulfates, arylsulfates, sulfonate, alkylsulfonates, arylsulfonates, alkylborates, tosylate, saccharinate and alkylcarboxylates.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): The fragrance composition as claimed in claim 1, at ~~least one of claims 1 to 6~~, wherein the ionic liquid of the fragrance composition has ~~various~~ one or more anions.

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): The fragrance composition as claimed in claim 1, at ~~least one of claims 1 to 7~~, wherein the fragrance composition has microbicidal properties.

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): The fragrance composition as claimed in claim 1, at ~~least one of claims 1 to 8~~, ~~wherein it has~~ further comprising fixatives chosen from self-fixatives, pseudofixatives, stimulants and/or “true” fixatives, besides at least one ionic liquid.

Claim 10 (Currently Amended): The fragrance composition as claimed in claim 1, at ~~least one of claims 1 to 9, wherein it has~~ further comprising an alcohol as solvent.

Claim 11 (Currently Amended): The fragrance composition as claimed in claim 1, at ~~least one of claims 1 to 10, wherein it has,~~ further comprising, as fragrance, a natural, nature-identical, semisynthetic and/or completely synthetic fragrance.

Claim 12 (Currently Amended): The fragrance composition as claimed in claim 1, at ~~least one of claims 1 to 11, wherein it has~~ further comprising a preservative.

Claim 13 (Currently Amended): A method of producing a fragrance composition as claimed in claim 1, ~~at least one of claims 1 to 12,~~ wherein at least one fragrance is mixed intensively with at least one ionic liquid.

Claim 14 (Original): The method as claimed in claim 13, wherein the mixing of fragrance and ionic liquid takes place cold at room temperature.

Claim 15 (Canceled).

Claim 16 (Currently Amended): A product ~~having a~~ comprising said fragrance composition as claimed in claim 1, ~~any of claims 1 to 12.~~

Claim 17 (Currently Amended): The product as claimed in claim 16, wherein the product is a fine perfume, bodycare composition, toiletry, detergent perfume, fabric softener perfume or a scent to mask industrial odors.